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HAVING OPTICAL ACTIVITY

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- (1) XIE et al., Bioscience Biotechnology Biochemistry, Vol. 63, No. 10, pgs. 1721-29, 1999;
- (2) HUMMEL et al., Advanced Synthesis and Catalysis, Vol. 345, No. 1-2, pgs. 153-59, 2003;
- (3) KREIT et al., Journal of Molecular Catalysis B Enzymatic, No. 19-20, pgs. 253-59, 2002;

- (4) NAKAMURA et al., Tetrahedron: Asymmetry, Vol. 14, No. 18, pgs. 2659-81, 2003;
- (5) MATSUDA et al., Tetrahedron: Asymmetry, Vol. 13, No. 9, pgs. 971-74, 2002;
- (6) YANG et al., Biochimica et Biophysica Acta, Vol. 1336, No. 1, pgs. 51-58, 1997;
- (7) PATEL et al., European Journal of Biochemistry/FEBS, Vol. 101, No. 2, pgs. 401-06, 1979;
- (8) SCHMITZER et al., Journal of the American Chemical Society, Vol. 123, No. 25, pgs. 5956-61, 2001;
- (9) CASON et al., Journal of the American Chemical Society, Vol. 72, pgs. 4695-97, 1950;
- (10) HUMMEL, Trends in Biotechnology, Vol. 17, No. 12, pgs 487-92, 1999;
- (11) Database Geneseq (Online), retrieved from EBI accession no. GSP:ADW29163, XP002431903, "I scutulata carbonyl reductase protein sequence SeqID1," Abstract, April 7, 2005;
- (12) Database Geneseq (Online), retrieved from EBI accession no. GSN:ADW29164, XP002432051, "I scutulata carbonyl reductase coding DNA sequence SeqID2," Abstract, April 7, 2005;
- (13) JP 2005-006552 A (01/13/05); and
- (14) EP 1 568 780 A1(08/31/05).

The relevance of the above-listed documents, as ascertained with respect to the European claims by the European Examiner, is set forth in the European Search Report for European Patent Application No. 10178014.6. Applicants further note that since the above-listed

documents were previously cited in the present application, copies of the above-listed documents are not provided herewith.

Applicants also hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner an Extended European Search Report dated February 4, 2011, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. 10177975.9, in which the following documents were cited:

- (15) PROUT et al., Journal of Organic Chemistry, Vol. 27, pgs. 1488-90, 1962;
- (16) CASON et al., Journal of the American Chemical Society, Vol. 72, pgs. 4695-97, 1950;
- (17) HORNUNG et al., Journal of the American Chemical Society, Vol. 117, pgs. 8192-96, 1995; and
- (18) HEINZ et al., "Organikum," Deutscher Verlag der Wissenschaften, pgs. 416-17, 1990.

The relevance of the above listed documents, as ascertained with respect to the European claims by the European Examiner, is set forth in the European Search Report for European Patent Application No. 10177975.9. Copies of the HORNUNG et al. and HEINZ et al. documents as well as the European Search Report are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants note that the PROUT et al. and CASON et al. documents were previously provided.

The Examiner is requested to consider all of the above-listed documents and to return a signed and initialed copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 with the next communication.

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